

EDITORS' IDEAS.

The people's independent party will most likely use the scales as their emblem. They believe in equality, or in other words—"equal rights to all and special privileges to none.—Arapahoe Pioneer.

England is disgusted with the United States monetary commission and says that India and herself will never consent to free silver coinage. Japan has only been on a gold basis for a few months, yet she is now obliged to issue bonds to maintain a single standard or return to the free use of silver.—O'Neil Sun.

No crime has ever spread faster in America than the crime of issuing injunctions by the courts. Within a year we shall not be surprised to hear that some corporation court has enjoined passengers entering railroad trains without first receiving a railroad doctor's certificate showing them to be free from symptoms of anarchy.—Papillon Times.

"Dollar Wheat, Republican Prophecy Fulfilled" is the way the Buffalo Express heads it this morning.

So the republican party was in the confidence of the Almighty was it, and knew that wheat was going to bring this price? We were not aware that the republican party had made a prophecy of this sort, but of course if it did it must have obtained its information from some supernatural source.

Perhaps we shall be told soon that the republican party propounded last fall that crops would be good this summer. There is a great advantage, of course, in having a party in power which has established confidential relations with Divine Providence.—Buffalo Evening Times.

Uncle Jake Wolfe is such a good, tried and true populist that the daily frank was scared nearly into convulsions at the mere mention of his coming to North Platte. In previous years the commissioner of public lands and buildings used to sit in his office and let the school land lie idle, but Uncle Jake Wolfe is hustling to lease every foot of it for the benefit of the school children of the state. And this is what worries the ring organs. And they turn green with envy to see the populist officials doing their whole duty by the people who elected them. The good work of Porter, Cornell, Wolfe and Messerle will go on and the "ring" organs will have more cause for tears as the days go prosperously by for Nebraska people.—Independent Era.

The city government of Berlin has begun to consider very seriously the municipalization of the street railway and transportation systems. The corporations there are now subjected to what-over here would be denounced as terms of confiscation. Berlin grants no franchises without a payment in money of at least \$50,000, a guarantee to the city treasury of from ten to twenty per cent of the gross receipts and an agreement to turn the entire plant and equipment over to the municipality for nothing in twenty years. The corporations must also clean and repair the streets they occupy. The franchisees under these terms have proved profitable to the companies, which must keep their books open to public inspection at all times. Nevertheless, the city authorities are thinking of taking the systems out of the hands of their present holders. In this country an attempt to make the corporations submit to Berlin conditions would be furiously denounced as Bryanism, while the courts would put a stop to it as unconstitutional.—Twentieth Century.

Congressman Holman of Indiana died some time ago and his successor was elected last week. Holman ran 1,100 ahead of his ticket, was supported by the populists and was elected by a very small majority. The republicans spent oceans of money this year, got a pop candidate in the field and made a great fight than last year, but were utterly overwhelmed, although their populist candidate got 800 votes. Francis Marion Griffith, a namesake and lineal descendant of the great southern hero of the revolutionary war, was the democratic candidate and he was elected by a very largely increased majority. In this connection it might be well enough to say that a man of brains named Francis Marion could be found nowhere else except on the side of the people and the people's liberties. The same relative gain all over the country will carry nine tenths of the electoral vote for Bryan and give him the next congress by one hundred and fifty majority. The prosperity wagon has evidently not reached Indiana.—Central City Democrat.

What We May Expect. The intention of the present administration, backed by the national bank association is to retire all government paper money and put in its place currency issued by the banks. The government paper which is to be displaced consists of \$358,648,387 in silver certificates, \$346,000,000 in greenbacks, \$114,386,280 in treasury notes, known as Sherman notes, given by silver purchases, making a total of \$818,034,667. To retire all this non-interest bearing money it will be necessary to issue an equal amount of interest bearing bonds to buy it up. This would increase the bonded indebtedness of \$800,000,000, which at 4 per cent, would give to the bankers out of the pockets of the people \$32,000,000. The bonds would be readily taken by the banks on condition that they were to receive the interest and be allowed an equal amount in currency with which to transact the business of the country. The whole gold bug fraternity is now pushing everything to have a bill with these provisions passed through the next congress.—Boone County Outlook.

Senator Teller of Colorado, when asked recently if the rise in wheat was not a contradiction of the argument of the free coinage men that wheat and silver travel side by side in value, said: "I am surprised that such a question should be asked. It is generally admitted by the press of the country and by those who are familiar with conditions that the advance of wheat is due to the short crop in the world. All know that no wheat has been raised in India this year, and comparatively little in South America. In addition to these countries it is reported on good authority that the crop in all the European countries is short and that there will be a greater demand for the product of this country than for many years."

TALMAGE'S REMEDY.

IT CONSISTS OF CHEERFUL TALK AND LARGE CHECKS.

Counseling Us to Cry, "Peace, Peace!" Where There is No Peace.—One Trouble Is the Doctor Doesn't Tell Us Where to Get His Prescription Filled.

[Special Correspondence.] Dr. T. De Witt Talmage has made out a prescription for the cure of the business depression. The chief ingredients are cheerfulness, Christian investment and Christian generosity. As to the first he says:

Now, I will make a contract. If the people of the United States for one week will talk cheerfully, I will open all the manufacturing, I will give employment to all the unemployed men and women, I will make a lively market for your real estate that is eating you up with taxes, I will stop the long processions on the way to the poorhouse and the penitentiary and I will spread a plentiful table from Maine to California and from Oregon to Sandy Hook, and the whole land shall carol and thunder with national jubilee.

That sort of talk makes me gnash my teeth. "If the people of the United States for one week will talk cheerfully." Why, T. De Witt! Do you not feel ashamed to say a thing like that where you know it is to be reported and printed? Maybe there isn't anybody in your congregation who knows how silly and shallow it is. Perhaps they swallow it all down and pay you for saying it while you are laughing in your sleeve and thinking with Paek, "What fools these mortals be!"

"If everybody in the United States will talk cheerfully for a week," you will give employment to all the unemployed men and women!

Of course you would. So would I. You are like the priest who promised to pray for rain when all his parishioners would agree as to what day they wanted the rain to come. One had his hay out and wanted to get it in before the rain, and others wanted a delay for other reasons, and so, just as he knew it would be, the rain came before they would all agree as to when their spiritual leader should pray for it. Nice little promise, wasn't it?

"If everybody in the United States will talk cheerfully for a week," you will stop the long procession on its way to the poorhouse!

When I was a very little girl, I saw a beautiful bird which I tried to catch. Some smartly told me to put salt on its tail and I could catch it. So I chased the bird around with a handful of salt until convinced that I must catch it before I could put the salt on its tail, and then the salt would be unnecessary.

You just stop the long procession to the poorhouse and penitentiary, give employment to the idle men and women, open the manufacturing, etc., and I'll take a contract for supplying all necessary and reasonable cheerfulness. You have the thing turned around. Instead of cheerfulness bringing about these other good things we need these other good things to bring about cheerfulness. If you don't believe it, you just step down out of your sacred desk and out of your comfortable home and out of your good clothing into rags and start on your way to the poorhouse. Then let some sleek, well fed, well groomed, comfortable looking individual meet you and tell you to talk cheerfully for a week. Why, bless your soul, a person who is half starved already would starve altogether before the week would end. Go away, go away, Dr. Talmage! Building on confidence is worse than building on sand, and you know what became of the man who build his house on the sand. The rains descended, the floods, and the house fell.

When the Rev. T. De Witt gets through with cheerfulness, although he promised everything good for talking cheerfully for a week, he goes on to show that something more than cheerfulness is after all needed to restore prosperity. You must take out your checkbook and write a large check for a missionary society. Then you will grow rich. Hear him:

I had a relative whose business seemed to be failing. Here a loss, and there a loss, and everything was bothering, perplexing and annoying him. He sat down one day and said: "God must have a controversy with me about something. I believe I haven't given enough to the cause of Christ." And there and then he took out his checkbook and wrote a large check for a missionary society. His boldness: "That was the turning point in my business. Ever since then I have been prosperous. From that very day—yes, from that very hour—I saw the change." And, sure enough, he went on, and he gathered a fortune.

There, now, you good for nothing tramps and beggars, who are whining about hard times, hustle out your check books and write a large check for a missionary society. That's the way to gather a fortune. O great and good Dr. Talmage, why have you so long withheld these simple cures for hard times? If we had only known these things before, instead of tramping the streets, or starving, or committing suicide, or selling ourselves soul and body for bread, or working till old age for just a living, while others were enriched by our toil, we should have talked cheerfully and written a large check for a missionary society. How simple! Only, kind sir, please tell us where to get the checkbooks and the checkbook.

CELIA B. WHITEHEAD, Westfield, N. J.

A Governor in Contempt. Governor Russell of North Carolina is a man whom the masses should love. Judge Simonson of the federal court—and who is a resident of Virginia—issued an injunction against Governor Russell, at the request of J. Pierpont Morgan, enjoining the governor from interfering with the leasing of a railroad belonging to the state of North Carolina, and which Morgan had obtained control of. The governor flatly refused to recognize the injunction, and Judge Simonson has not dared to imprison him for contempt. It would be a good thing for the people if we had a few more men in power like Governor Russell.—Tacoma Sun.

SOLD TO SHYLOCK.

Burden of Debt That is Astonishing and That is Rapidly Increasing.

"Condemned to forever roll the stone that was forever to be rolled," was the sentence imposed on one of the characters of Greek mythology. This sentence is now imposed on the American toiler. We have paid two-thirds of the war debt, and the remaining third is bigger than the whole of it was when we began. How do you make that out, Cherry? Well, just figure up how much it would take to pay \$2,800,000,000 in cotton at 20 cents a pound, or wheat at \$2 per bushel, and compare that with what it would take to pay one-third that amount in cotton at 5 cents per pound or wheat at 50 cents per bushel. If the sucker who carried a torch and "holled" to help his side beat the other side (of Wall street) hasn't sense enough to understand these figures, just hand them over to his 10-year-old schoolboy.

At the close of the war the people were "comparatively free from debt," said Secretary of the Treasury McCulloch. The war debt was all the people owed, and nearly all this was in circulation among the people as the nation's legal tender money. Business was done for cash. There was a less per cent of credit business than ever before. Labor found employment on every side at high wages and ready cash for pay.

Today, after 32 years of hard work, our debts, public and private, amount to \$40,000,000,000—all that the property is worth at present prices. Ours is a rich country, owned largely in Europe.

Our interest, rent and dividend payments to Europe amount to from \$800,000,000 to \$850,000,000 a year, and the amount is rapidly increasing.

We annually dig out of our mines from \$35,000,000 to \$40,000,000 of gold and from \$50,000,000 to \$70,000,000 of silver. And only last year I saw poor, half starved American workmen who believed that out of this \$40,000,000 of gold we could pay this \$350,000,000 to Europe in gold and have dead loads of gold left to do business with and accumulate enough surplus after awhile to pay the principal. Such fellows ought to be knocked in the head to save feed. Hogs could be fattened on what they eat, and that would add something to the country's wealth.

"Bimetallism! Bimetallism!" yelled a wide mouthed orator. "Add silver too." All right. To \$40,000,000 our highest annual product of gold in a decade, add \$72,000,000 of silver, making \$118,000,000 of both with which to pay to Europe \$350,000,000 and have a balance left to transact our home business.

Don't you see that the poor workman who votes for the goldbug is a blooming idiot, while the "bimetallist" is a half opened bud on the same bush? Verily, verily, I say unto you, there is no way under heaven or among men whereby prosperity permanent and enduring can be restored to this people, and liberty and the republic be maintained, except by the issue and permanent maintenance of Uncle Sam's absolute, everlasting greenbacks.

But up to date a large per cent of our people, voters who have the powers of government and the destiny of the republic in their hands, will not reason on these matters, but will think it smart to follow some slick demagogue who tells them how free and smart they are and who leads them with such claptrap and catch phrases as "honest money," "sound money" and "bimetallism," phrases as meaningless and senseless as rival college yells.

May God in his infinite wisdom and mercy give the starving American voter such a dose of Harrison-Cleveland-McKinley prosperity that he will use his head for something else than a peg to hang his hat on.—John H. Cherry in Chicago Express.

As It Looks to John Bull. The Spectator, in an article entitled "Aggressions of American Wealth," refers to the retirement of President Andrews from Brown University and President Bemis from Chicago university, saying:

"We can scarcely escape the conclusion that a conspiracy exists among the heads of trusts in America to interfere with the freedom of teaching in the universities so far as economic questions are concerned, in order that nothing shall be uttered which has not received the trademark of monopolistic approval."

The paper pictures the Americans as reduced almost to the situation of Russia by the censorship of wealthy magnates over the universities and says: "Capitalists have subsidized the pulpits, bought up the press, seated well paid attorneys in the senate and finally have stretched their hands out to colleges, which it is an easy thing to capture by such generosity as Mr. Rockefeller's. Apparently it is their intention to convert the United States into a powerful oligarchy, and they will extend the sway of that oligarchy to other lands where they can."

Coming Their Way.

The Republicans are a lot of chumps. Here they are denouncing the Democrats for having instigated the miners' strike to injure Mark Hanna—as if the miners should sit still quietly and starve to death after all the promises of last fall and with the prosperity agent in the White House. But the Republican agitators should keep cool. Whichever way the strike goes will be beneficial to the G. O. P. First, the bosses and speculators, who as a rule vote the Republican ticket, are now making heaps of money because of the rise in coal and can, therefore, yield liberally to the campaign fund. Secondly, the market will have been cleared, the miners will have work, believe prosperity is here, forget all about their fight and vote the Republican ticket as of yore. Why should the foolish Hansas grieve? Things are coming their way.—Cleveland Citizen.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION.

The Democratic State Central Committee for the state of Nebraska hereby calls a delegate convention of the democrats of the state of Nebraska to meet in Lincoln on Wednesday, September 1, at 2 p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for judge of the supreme court and two candidates for regents of the state university, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

All citizens who believe in the principles of the democratic party as declared in the Chicago platform, and who intend to affiliate with the democratic party are invited to participate in the selection of delegates to this convention. The basis of representation is one delegate for each 100 votes, or major fraction thereof, cast for Hon. W. J. Bryan for United States senator at the general election of 1894, each county, however, to have at least one delegate. No proxies will be allowed, and the various counties are requested to select alternate delegates so that each may have full representation in the convention.

The headquarters of the Democratic State Central Committee will be at the Lindell hotel, where delegates tickets may be had. The following is the number of delegates to which each county is entitled:

Table listing counties and number of delegates for the Democratic State Convention. Includes counties like Adams, Antelope, Banner, Blaine, Boone, Boyd, Brown, Buffalo, Butler, Cass, Cedar, Cherry, Cheyenne, Clay, Colfax, Cuming, Custer, Dakota, Dawson, Deuel, Dixon, Dodge, Douglas, Dundy, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gage, Garfield, Gosper, Grant, Greeley, Hamilton, Harlan, Hayes, Hickock, Holt, Hooker, Howard, Johnson, Kearney, Keith, Keya Paha, Kimball, Lancaster, Lincoln, Logan, Madison, McPherson, Merrick, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Otoe, Perkins, Phelps, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Red Willow, Richardson, Rock, Saline, Sarpy, Saunders, Scotts Bluff, Seward, Sherman, Sioux, Stanton, Thayer, Thomas, Thurston, Valley, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Wheeler, York, and a Total of 518.

JAMES C. DAHLMAN, Chairman. LEE HERDMAN, Secretary.

STATE CONVENTION OF THE FREE SILVER REPUBLICANS.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 10, 1897.

By order of the provisional state central committee of the free silver republicans of the state of Nebraska, we hereby call a state convention of the electors of said party to meet in the city of Lincoln, on Wednesday, September 1, 1897, at 2 o'clock p. m.

The purpose of said convention is to place in nomination one candidate for judge of the supreme court, and two candidates of the university of the state of Nebraska, and to transact such other business as may properly come before said convention. Each county will be entitled to two delegates at large and one delegate for every 200 votes or major fraction thereof cast for Neil O. Alberts, presidential elector in 1896, which will make the following apportionment by counties:

Table listing counties and number of delegates for the State Convention of the Free Silver Republicans. Includes counties like Adams, Antelope, Banner, Blaine, Boone, Boyd, Brown, Buffalo, Butler, Cass, Cedar, Cherry, Cheyenne, Clay, Colfax, Cuming, Custer, Dakota, Dawson, Deuel, Dixon, Dodge, Douglas, Dundy, Franklin, Frontier, Furnas, Gage, Garfield, Gosper, Grant, Greeley, Hamilton, Harlan, Hayes, Hickock, Holt, Hooker, Howard, Johnson, Kearney, Keith, Keya Paha, Kimball, Lancaster, Lincoln, Logan, Madison, McPherson, Merrick, Nemaha, Nuckolls, Otoe, Perkins, Phelps, Pierce, Platte, Polk, Red Willow, Richardson, Rock, Saline, Sarpy, Saunders, Scotts Bluff, Seward, Sherman, Sioux, Stanton, Thayer, Thomas, Thurston, Valley, Washington, Wayne, Webster, Wheeler, York, and a Total of 518.

It is recommended that each county select a ternate for each delegate, and that the delegates present at said convention be allowed to cast the full vote of said county. It is further recommended that no proxies be allowed, L. C. PACE, Chairman, WILLIAM E. PRICE, Secretary.

John W. Breidenthal, one of the leaders in reform movements in Kansas for fifteen years, and five years chairman of the people's party state executive committee, resigned his position last week and Taylor Hiddle was elected to succeed him. Mr. Breidenthal was an indefatigable worker and acknowledged to be one of the best political organizers in the country.

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Towels. 20 dozen cotton towels 17x36, regular price 5c; this week, each... 4c. 20 dozen cotton towels 18x44, regular price 10c; this week, each... 8c. 10 dozen all linen towels, fancy border, 25x40, regular price 15c; this week... 12c. 10 dozen fine Damask towels 22x48, regular price 25c; this week... 22c.

NECK TIES. 8 dozen Gents' scarfs and hand bows, regular price 25c; to close, each... 17c.

SHOES! SHOES! BARGAINS. Children's grain button, 5 to 8, regular price 75c; this sale per pair... 68c. Child's Grain button, 8 to 11, regular price \$1.00; this sale per pair... 80c. Misses' grain button, 11 1/2 to 2.

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